

REMARKS

Reconsideration is requested.

Claims 68-77 are pending. Claims 68-74 and 76 have been additionally canceled above, without prejudice. Claim 109 has been added. Claims 75, 77 and 109 will be pending upon entry of the present Amendment. Entry of the present Amendment is requested to advance prosecution. No new matter has been added. Claims have not been added without canceling at least a corresponding number of claims. The present Amendment is not believed to raise new issues requiring further consideration and/or search. Entry of the present Amendment is requested.

The Section 103 rejection of claims 68-74 over Braselmann et al. (Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA 90:1657-1661, 1993) in view of Miyaji et al. (Cytotechnology, 4(2):173-180, 1990), will be moot upon entry of the present Amendment. Entry of the present Amendment will therefore at least reduce this issue for appeal.

The Section 103 rejection of claims 68-74 and 76 over Braselmann et al. (Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA 90:1657-1661, 1993) in view of Miyaji et al. (Cytotechnology, 4(2):173-180, 1990), and further in view of Scheirer (U.S. Patent No. 5,866,342), will be moot upon entry of the present Amendment. Entry of the present Amendment will therefore at least reduce this issue for appeal.

The claims pending upon entry of the present Amendment are submitted to be patentable over the cited art.

The section 112, second paragraph rejection of claims 68-77 is believed to be obviated by the above amendments. The revised claims do not include the objected-to

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term. Entry of the present Amendment and withdrawal of the Section 112, second paragraph, rejection are requested.

The claims, as amended, are submitted to be in condition for allowance. Entry of the present Amendment and a Notice of Allowance are requested. The Examiner is requested to contact the undersigned, preferably by telephone, in the event anything further is required in this regard.

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